GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7098
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POLITICAL PATRONAGE TO TERRORISTS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the terrorists are getting political patronage;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to check such activities and to strengthen the national security?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)&(b): There are no confirmed reports in this regard.

(c): While concerned State Governments have to devise various methods and take concrete steps to counter terrorist activities, Government has adopted a well coordinated and multi-pronged approach, which includes strengthening the border management to check illegal cross border activities, gearing up the intelligence machinery, close interaction between different agencies of the Centre and the State Governments, neutralizing plans of militants and anti national elecents by coordinated action, modernization and upgradation of police and security forces with advanced sophisticated weapons and communication system etc. As a result of coordinated action, several terrorist modules have been neutralized.

Prevention of Terrorism Act, 2002 has been promulgated under which 28 Terrorist Groups have been notified as Terrorist Organisations to inter alia, facilitate concerted action against terrorists.